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SUMMARY: ONING TO EARLY SUNDAY DEADLINES AND REFLECTING SECRETARY'S RAPID WEEKEND MOVEMENTS, REPORTS VARY WIDELY ON BOTH CONTENT AND DATELINE. END SUMMARY.

- 1. AP'S AYEN LEAD EX-JERUSALEM TWINS SECRETARY'S MEETINGS WITH ISRAELI LEADERS WITH IDF'S MANHUNT FOR ARAB GUERILLA BAND IN GALILEE. REPORTS THAT HE WAS GREETED BY DEMONSTRATORS AS HE COMPLETED TALKS WITH RABIN ET AL AND SECURED FROM THEM AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED IN WORKING OUT ME PEACE SETTLEMENT. AP VERY THIN ON SUBSTANCE OF MEETINGS.
- 2. BARTON, FILING UPI'S MORNING LEAD FROM TEL AVIV, REPORTS HAK ENDED 17-HOUR STAY IN ISRAEL WITH AGREEMENT BY RABIN ON PRINCIPLES/PROCEDURES FOR NEXT STAGE OF NEGOTIAT, ONS. HE THEN FLEW ON TO RIYADH, SENDING SISCO BACK TO AMMAN TO BRIEF HUSSEIN. FROM ISRAEL DEPARTURE STATEMENT, BARTON QUOTES SECRETARY: "WE AGREED ON THE PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES THAT MIGHT BE FOLLOWED AND THE GENERAL TONE AND CONTENT OF THE DISCUSSIONS WAS HARMONIOUS." SEC ADDS THAT WHILE HE READ CRITICISMS OF HIM IN ISRAELI PRESS, HE HIMSELF "EXPERIENCED NONE OF THE DIFFERENCES AND SUSPICIONS" THAT PRECEDED HIS PREVIOUS VISIT: HE OTHERWISE MADE NO REFERENCE TO MASS DEMONSTRATIONS OUTSIDE RABIN'S OFFICE.
- NELSON OF REUTER ALSO WRITING EX-TEL AVIV TREATED SECRETARY'S STAY IN ISRAEL IN PRACTICALLY SAME TERMS, ALTHOUGH HE SPECULATES THAT HAK MAY RETURN TO ISRAEL BEFORE GOING BACK TO WASHINGTON. REUTER HAS AN AMUSING SIDEBAR INTERVIEW WITH STEVE STRAUSS, HAK'S WASSEUR IN JERUSALEM, DUBBED BY SECRETARY AS HIS MAIN POLITICAL ADVISER IN

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ISRAEL. QUOTES HAK AS SAYING STRAUSS TOLD HIM HE WOULD GIVE 10 YEARS OF HIS LIFE (FOR A PEACE SETTLEMENT) BUT NOT ONE INCH OF TERRITORY. WHAT I ACTUALLY TOLD HIM; STRALSS IS QUOTED AS SAYING, IS THAT "MOST ISRAELIS WERE PREPARED TO GIVE 10 YEARS OF THEIR LIFE FOR A SETTLEMENT, AND HE ASKED ME HOW THEY FELT ABOUT GIVING UP THE WEST BANK OF JORDAN, AND I SAID "NOT ONE INCH."

- CBS HAS KALB REPORTING FROM SAUDI ARABIA THIS MORNING ON GENERAL STATEMENT THAT RABIN HAS AGREED ON PRINCIPLES/PROCEDURES FOR NEXT NEGOTIATING PHASE. HE STATES NOTHING WAS SAID TO REPORTERS ON THE FLIGHT LEAVING ISRAEL TO SUPPORT THIS CLAIM, WHICH HE SAYS HAK HOPES WILL BRING SKEPTICAL ARABS TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE. KALB ALSO REFERS TO POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER HAK VISIT TO THE ME TO GET TALKS GOING, NOTING THAT WHILE HAK HAS ALWAYS SAID SECSTATE SHOULD SPEND MORE TIME IN WASHINGTON, HE HIMSELF WILL BE ON THE ROAD MUCH OF THE NEXT TWO MONTHS. DAN RATHER HANDLED HAK'S TRAVELS ON CBS EVENING NEWS YESTERDAY, MENTIONING SECRETARY HAS TOUCH OF FLU.
- 5. KOPPEL THIS AYEM COVERS ABC FROM JERUSALEM WITH UNREMARKABLE ROUND UP OF HAK'S STAY IN ISRAEL, WHAT HE IS TRYING TO EXTRACT FROM THE ISRAELIS, WHY THEY ARE RESISTING, THAT THERE IS GOING TO BE AN ARAB SUMMIT IN RABAT IN TWO WEEKS, HOW THIS WILL PRODUCE PRESSURE ON SADAT FROM ARAB HAROLINERS WHO ARE PUSHING (A) FOR NEW OIL BOYCOTT OR (B) RESUMPTION OF HOSTILITIES AGAINST ISRAEL, AND HOW FEMALLY HAK IS TRYING TO KEEP A LID ON IT ALL.
- 6. VALERIANI WENT UNHEARD ON NBC (TODAY) THOUGH HE COVERED STORY EX-ISRAEL ON EVENING NEWS IN MUCH THE SAME TERMS AS 5 ABOVE.
- 7. NYTIMES HAS A HAPPY SECRETARY IN PETRA MEARING A RED KAFFLYEH IN A FOUR-COLUMN PICTURE BELOW FOLD ON P1. CAPTION NOTES HIS JEST THAT HEADPIECE WOULD "GO GREAT" FOR HIS IMPENDING ARRIVAL IN ISRAEL, AS HE ASKS: "NON'T MY FATHER BE PROUD OF ME NOW?" GWERTZMAN REPORTS (P1) IN A MORE SERIOUS VEIN THAT HAK HAS ASSURED HUSSEIN THAT JORDAN WILL HAVE ROLE "IN ANY PEACE NEGOTIAHUSEIN THAT MIGHT EWERGE FROM HIS CURRENT TRIP. HIS JORDAN DEPARTURE STATEMENT IS COUPLED WITH ISRAEL ARRIVAL STATEMENT THAT HE IS CONFIDENT FORTHCOMING ROUND OF ARAB-ISRAELI

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NEGOTIATION WOULD BENEFIT ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE ME, TABOVE ALL THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL WHO HAVE SUFFERED MORE THAN ANYBODY BY THE ABSENSE OF PEACE." GWERTZMAN, AFTER NOTING HAK HAS CONTRACTED "DAVASCUS BUG," REPORTS THAT HUSSEIN TOLD SECRETARY HE WOULD WITHDRAW FROM ANY NEGOTIA-TION UNLESS ARAB SUMMIT ENDORSED GOJ AS NEGOTIATOR FOR ALL BALANCE OF STORY ANALYSES HUSSEIN'S PALESTINIANS. POLITICAL PROBLEMS WITH HIS ARAB ALLIES. TANNER INSIDE (P3) EX-CAIRD HAS EGYPTIAN SOURCES SAYING SADAT WILL MAYE NO POLITICAL CONCESSIONS FOR FURTHER ISRAELI WITHDRAWALS FROM THE SINAL, AND HAS SO INFORMED SECRETARY. FURTHER IDF WITHDRAVALS FROM SINAI VUST BE MADE AS SIMPLE EXTENSION OF EXISTING DISENGAGEMENT. NOT NEW OR INTERIM POLITICAL AGREEMENT. TANNER SAYS SADAT ALSO ASSURED HAK HE WOULD SUPPORT NEW SIX-MONTH MANDATE FOR UNEF, AND ADDS EGYPTIANS ARE NOW CONVINCED HAK'S PRINCIPLE OBJECTIVE IN CURRENT TRIP IS NEW ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN DISENGAGEMENT PACT.

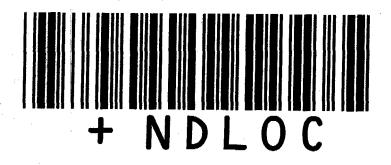
WASHPOST PLAYS BERGER DEEP INSIDE (P 14) REPORTING HAK'S ARRIVAL IN ISRAEL, "THE COUNTRY THAT WILL HAVE TO GIVE BACK TERRITORY IN ANY NEW NEGOTIATIONS AND THAT IS MAITING TO HEAR WHAT SORT OF PEACE IT WILL GET IN RETURN." HAK HAS STOMACH TROUBLE AND IS TIRED FROM LONG DAYS AND NIGHTS OF SIGHT SEEING AND WORK. MOOD IN ISRAEL, SHE SAYS, IS DEEPLY PESSIMISTIC OWING TO THO BASIC CONCERNS: SKEPTICISM OF HAK AND BELIEF ARABS, FLEXING OIL WEAPON, TOUGHENING THEIR TERMS. QUOTES K ON ARRIVAL REFERR-ING TO "SPECULATION IN THE PRESS ABOUT THIS AND THAT DISAGREEMENT," BUT CLAINING THAT US AND ISRAEL "HAVE ALWAYS SPOKE TO EACH OTHER AS FRIENDS AND PARTNERS AND ACWAYS WE HAVE ACHIEVED RESULTS THAT HAVE BEEN TO THE BENEFIT OF PEACE IN THE A AND ALSO TO THE BENEFIT OF HER STORY GOES ON TO EXAMINE AGAIN ALL FACTORS AT PLAY IN THE SEARCH FOR ME PEACE. POST HAS AP SIDEBAR EX-PETRA RECOUNTING HAK'S SIGHT SEEING CHE ARRIVED CONSPICUOUSLY OVERDRESSED FOR THE OCCASION IN A BLUE BUSINESS SUIT, WHITE SHIRT AND TIE" AND WHILE "USUALLY PEPPY TRAVELER" WAS SUBDUED BY DAMASCUS BUG. > POST ALSO CARRIES THREE COLUMN PICTURE (ALSO P14) OF SECRETARY DONNING ARAB HEADDRESS.

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1. KALB REPORTS ON RADIO FROM CAIRO AND DAMASCUS: CBS RADIO-CAIRO: ACCORDING TO A SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL KING FAISAL TOLD KISSINGER FOR THE FIRST TIME THAT SAUDI ARABIA WILL WORK WITH OTHER OIL PRODUCING NATIONS TO LOWER OIL PRICES -- NO TIME FRAME WAS PUT ON THIS EFFORT, IT MAY TAKE MONTHS IF IT SUCCEEDS AT ALL, BUT NEVER BEFORE HAD THE KING PERSONALLY COMMITTED HIMSELF TO THIS GOAL. KISSINGER ON HIS DEPARTURE FROM RYAD CALLED THE KING'S POLICY ENLIGHTENED AND CONSTRUCTIVE, THE KING'S FM THEN ADDED, THAT HE HOPED AND PRAYED OTHER OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES WOULD, AS HE PUT IT, COME AROUND TO EMULATING THE POLICY OF SAUDI ARABIA. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE KING IS SENDING A LETTER TO THE SHAH OF IRAN URGING HIM TO CONSIDER JOINT ACTION IN HOLDING PRICES AT CURRENT LEVELS AND THEN LOWERING THEM. KISSINGER FLEW INTO RYAD EXPECTING TO COMMIT HIMSELF TO A COURSE OF LOWERING PRICES. IT IS ASSUMED HERE THAT FAISAL'S EFFORT WILL GO STEP BY STEP WITH KISSINGER'S SUCCESS IN PERSUADING THE ISRAELIS TO PULL PACK FROM OCCUPIED ARAB LAND.

B. CBS RADIO-DAMASCUS: KISSINGER RETURNED TO DAMASCUS FOR

THE SECOND TIME IN A WEEK, HIS AIM TO URGE THE SYRIANS TO BE PATIENT. THEY ARE NOT LIKELY TO BE PARTY TO THE NEXT PHASE OF THE ME NEGOTIATION. EGYPT, JORDAN, AND ISRAEL WILL BE, AND WITH ALL THREE COUNTRIES KISSINGER HAS NOT REACHED THE BASIC KIND OF UNDERSTANDING ABOUT WHAT COMES NEXT AND WHEN. NOTHING CAN BE ANNOUNCED UNTIL AFTER THE ARAB SUMMIT MEETING WHICH OPENS OCTOBER 26TH IN MOROCCO. IF THE ARAB MODERATES GET THEIR WAY, WHICH IS LIKELY, THEN THE NEGOTIATION CAN PROBABLY START BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR. KISSINGER ANNOUNCED IN CAIRC EARLIER TODAY THAT HE WILL BE RETURNING TO THIS AREA IN EARLY NOVEMBER TO NAIL THE WHOLE DEAL DOWN. HE HAS ONE OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENT EXTRACTING FAISAL'S PERSONAL PLEDGE LAST NIGHT IN RYAD, THAT SAUDI ARABIA WILL

WORK WITH OTHER OIL-PRODUCING NATIONS IN A NEW EFFORT TO LOWER OIL PRICES. NOTHING IS ASSURED BUT THIS REAL PLEDGE BACKED BY MILLIONS OF PETRO DOLLARS HAS CONSIDERABLE CLOUT.

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2. WASHPOST-BERGER, FRONT PAGE REPORTING FROM CAIRO; HEADLINED "SAUDIS PLEDGE BID TO LOWER PRICES ON OIL": REPORTS SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL SAID FAISAL TOLD HAK SAUDIS WILL TAKE UP EFFORT TO LOWER PRICE OF OIL IN CONCERT WITH OTHER EXPORTING NATIONS. THE OFFICIAL SAID THIS WAS FIRST TIME FAISAL HIMSELF ENDORSED THIS POLICY WERE TOLD HAK PLANNED TO STRESS THAT SAUDI ARABIA'S SELF-INTEREST DICTATES GREATER COOPERATION WITH CONSUMERS. ALTHOUGH FAISAL'S STATEMENT COULD BE IMPORTANT STEP IN

REDUCTION OF OIL PRICES, SENIOR US OFFICIALS BELIEVE ALGERIAN SUPPORT IS VITAL IN ANY MOVE TO CUT PRICES SINCE ALGERIA LEADS RADICAL ARAB STATES. REPORTERS WERE TOLD HAK DOES NOT EXPECT LOWERING OF PRICES BEFORE MARCH, AT WHICH TIME COMSUMERS MAY HAVE DEVELOPED COOPERATIVE POLICY. FOLLOWING HAK/FAISAL MEETING, REPORTERS WERE TOLD HAK FEELS KING SHARES HAK'S ANALYSIS OF ADVERSE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL CONSEQUENCES FOR ME WITHOUT OIL PRICE RELIEF.

ON ME PEACE EFFORTS, REPORTERS WERE TOLD HAK CONSIDERS SAUDI SUPPORT ESSENTIAL. DESPITE HAK'S EFFORTS TO KEEP ISSUES SEPARATE, ME TERRITORIAL SETTLEMENT AND OIL PRICE CRISIS HAVE BECOME LINKED.

ON AGREEMENT ON PROCEDURES WITH ISRAEL, BERGER SAYS NO DETAILS REACHED AND US OFFICIALS VAGUE AS TO WHETHER

TIMING AND PROCEDURES WORKED OUT FOR NEXT ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS, BUT HOPE THEY LL BEGIN BY END OF YEAR. SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL SAID HAK REMARKS ABOUT AGREEMENT INTENDED TO CONVINCE ARABS ISRAEL PREPARED TO MOVE TO NEXT STEP OF NEGOTIATIONS. SENIOR OFFICIAL ALSO SAID HAK NOT ENDORSING NONBELLIGERENCY AGREEMENT THAT ISRAEL DEMANDING. US ASSESSMENT ACCORDING TO SENIOR OFFICIAL IS THAT WAR IS NOT IMMINENT IN ME, BUT DANGER ALWAYS EXISTS; HAK HOPES TO MAKE PROGRESS TOWARDS SETTLEMENT BY SPRING. (PHOTO OF HAK & FAISAL ACCOMPANIES REST OF

3. NYTIMES-GWERTZMAN FRONT PAGE: REPORTS FROM RIYADH THAT HAK OBTAINS ACCORD IN ISRAEL ON MIDEAST PLAN. HAK ANNOUNCED AT BEN-GURION AIRPORT "WE AGREED ON THE PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES THAT MIGHT BE FOLLOWED" BUT NO FURTHER DETAILS PROVIDED. REPORTERS ON THE PLANE WERE JORDAN/ISRAEL AGREEMENT WOULD HAVE TO INCLUDE FURTHER TERRITORIAL CONCESSIONS BY ISRAEL TO THE ARABS IN RETURN FOR ARAB POLITICAL MOVES TO IMPROVE ISRAEL'S SECURITY. REPORTERS ON PLANE TOLD THAT HAK, BY ASSERTING THAT AGREEMENT ON PROCEDURES REACHED, DOES NOT ACCEPT OR ENDORSE CONCEPT OF NONBELLIGERENCY. BUT HE IS SEEKING

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ARAB CONCESSIONS THAT WOULD MEET ISRAEL'S SECURITY NEEDS, ALTHOUGH DISCUSSIONS HAVE NOT GOTTEN INTO SUCH DETAIL YET. HAK PUBLIC DECLARATION OF AGREEMENT TO REMOVE ARAB DOUBTS THAT ISRAEL READY FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS. ALTHOUGH HAK "ENCOURAGED" BY PROGRESS SO FAR THIS TRIP, REPORTERS TOLD ARAB SITUATION MORE COMPLICATED THAN HAK EXPECTED, AND ANY ANNOUNCEMENT ON NEXT STAGE OF TALKS WOULD COME AFTER ARAB SUMMIT. GWERTZMAN SAYS HAK CONTEMPLATING RETURN TO ME IN EARLY NOVEMBER. ADDS THAT HAK SUBJECT OF DEMONSTRATIONS

NON-BYLINED COMPANION PIECE DATELINED CAIRO DISCUSSES FAISAL ASSURANCE THAT SAUDIS WOULD USE THEIR INFLUENCE TO CUT OIL PRICES. SAYS KING AUTHORIZED HAK TO SAY HE WOULD TAKE "CONSTRUCTIVE" STEPS IN THAT DIRECTION. BUT REPORTERS WERE CAUTIONED THAT SAUDIS WOULD NOT CUT PRICES INDEPENDENTLY; ONLY USE INFLUENCE TO PERSUADE OTHERS TO DO SO. NEWSMEN WERE PERMITTED TO ATTEND BEGINNING OF HAK/FAISAL MEETING WHERE REVIEW OF ME PEACE EFFORTS WERE DISCUSSED, ALONG WITH US/SAUDI RELATIONS, US CONCERN ABOUT OIL AND STATE OF WORLD ECONOMIC SITUATION. AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING FAISAL

SUGGESTED THAT HAK PUBLICLY DISCUSS SAUDI ARABIA'S POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD OIL SITUATION. US OFFICIALS SAY THIS INDICATES PROGRESS IN PRICE-CUT EFFORT AND HOPE KING'S INTERVENTION WILL AT LEAST KEEP PRICES STABLE.

- 4. AP-SCHWEID FROM DAMASCUS: REPORTS THAT HAK GOT SADAT'S ASSURANCE HE WILL TAKE INITIATIVE TO GET SUPPORT OF ARAB SUMMIT FOR INTERIM AGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL, AND SAYS SADAT SEEMED TO BE "WALKING ON EGGS." REPORTS THAT HAK ANNOUNCED RETURN TO MIDEAST FIRST WEEK IN NOVEMBER.
- 5. UPI-BARTON REPORTS FROM CAIRO: THAT HAK HAS SEEN "POSITIVE INDICATIONS" OF POSSIBLE PROGRESS TOWARD PEACE IN ME AND ANNOUNCED RETURN TO AREA NEXT MONTH, WHEN "WE WILL ASSESS PROGRESS MADE TOWARD PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST ON A THOROUGH AND COMPLETE BASIS." ON PALESTINIAN ISSUE, REPORTS HAK SAID THAT WE BELIEVE WEST BANK NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE CARRIED OUT BY JORDAN AND ISRAEL. SAID HAK INDICATED SADAT WOULD VISIT US EARLY NEXT YEAR.
- G. REUTERS-NELSON REPORTING FROM DAMASCUS: SAYS
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 OTHER'S NEEDS AND PROBLEMS. SAYS US HOPE IS THAT
 TENTATIVE AGREEMENT WILL NOT FALL APART BEFORE OR DURING
 ARAB SUMMIT. HOPEFUL SIGN SEEN BY US OFFICIAL IS
 OPENING OF SUEZ CANAL, TO TAKE PLACE IN NEXT FEW MONTHS.
- 7. DUE TO HOLIDAY, WALL STREET JOURNAL AND CHI TRIBUNE UNAVAILABLE.

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